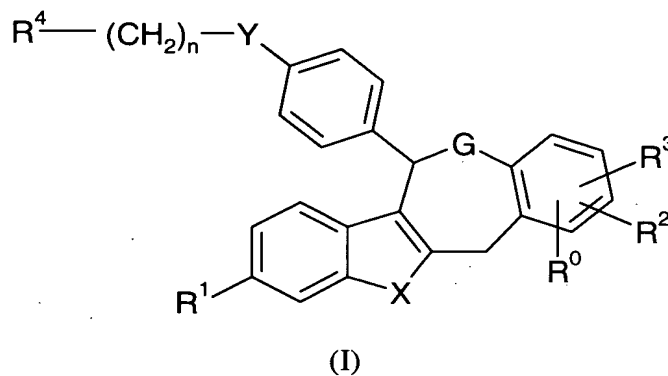


**Amendments to the Claims**

Without prejudice or disclaimer, this listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listing of claims in this application.

1. (Original) A compound of the formula



wherein

$R^1$  is -H, -OH, -O(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> alkyl), -OCOC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, -OCO(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub> alkyl), or -OSO<sub>2</sub>(C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub> alkyl);

$R^0$ ,  $R^2$  and  $R^3$  are each independently -H, -OH, -O(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> alkyl), -OCOC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, -OCO(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub> alkyl), -OSO<sub>2</sub>(C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub> alkyl) or halo;

$R^4$  is 1-piperidinyl, 1-pyrrolidinyl, methyl-1-pyrrolidinyl, dimethyl-1-pyrrolidinyl, 4-morpholino, dimethylamino, diethylamino, diisopropylamino, or 1-hexamethyleneimino;

$n$  is 2 or 3;

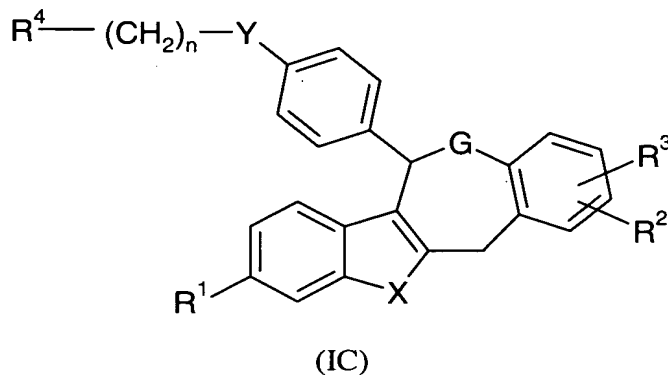
$X$  is -S- or -HC=CH-;

$G$  is -O-, -S-, -SO-, SO<sub>2</sub>, or -N( $R^5$ )-, wherein  $R^5$  is -H or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> alkyl; and

$Y$  is -O-, -S-, -NH-, -NMe-, or -CH<sub>2</sub>-;

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

2. (Original) A compound of Claim 1 of the formula



wherein

$R^1$  is -H, -OH, -O(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> alkyl), -OCOC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, -OCO(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub> alkyl), or -OSO<sub>2</sub>(C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub> alkyl);

$R^2$  and  $R^3$  are each independently -H, -OH, -O(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> alkyl), -OCOC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, -OCO(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub> alkyl), -OSO<sub>2</sub>(C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub> alkyl) or halo;

$R^4$  is 1-piperidinyl, 1-pyrrolidinyl, methyl-1-pyrrolidinyl, dimethyl-1-pyrrolidinyl, 4-morpholino, dimethylamino, diethylamino, diisopropylamino, or 1-hexamethyleneimino;

$n$  is 2 or 3;

$X$  is -S- or -HC=CH-;

$G$  is -O-, -S-, -SO-, SO<sub>2</sub>, or -N(R<sup>5</sup>)-, wherein  $R^5$  is -H or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> alkyl; and

$Y$  is -O-, -S-, -NH-, -NMe-, or -CH<sub>2</sub>-;

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

3. (Presently amended) A compound according to ~~either of Claims 1 or~~ **Claim 2** wherein  $G$  is -O-.

4. (Presently amended) A compound according to ~~any of Claims 1 to~~ **Claim 3** wherein  $Y$  is -O-.

5. (Presently amended) A compound according to ~~any of Claims 1 to~~ **Claim 4** wherein  $n$  is 2.

6. (Presently amended) A compound according to ~~any of Claims 1 to~~ Claim 5 wherein R<sup>1</sup> is -OH or -OCH<sub>3</sub>.
7. (Presently amended) A compound according to ~~any of Claims 1 to~~ Claim 6 wherein R<sup>1</sup> is -OH.
8. (Presently amended) A compound according to ~~any of Claims 1 to~~ Claim 7 wherein R<sup>4</sup> is 1-piperidinyl or 1-pyrrolidinyl.
9. (Presently amended) A compound according to ~~any of Claims 1 to~~ Claim 8 wherein R<sup>4</sup> is 1-piperidinyl.
10. (Presently amended) A compound according to ~~any of Claims 1 to~~ Claim 9 wherein two of R<sup>0</sup>, R<sup>2</sup> and R<sup>3</sup> is -H.
11. (Presently amended) A compound according to ~~any of Claims 1 to~~ Claim 9 wherein two of R<sup>0</sup>, R<sup>2</sup> and R<sup>3</sup> is -H and the other is -OH.
12. (Presently amended) A compound according to ~~any of Claims 1 to~~ Claim 9 wherein all of R<sup>0</sup>, R<sup>2</sup> and R<sup>3</sup> are -H.
13. (Presently amended) A compound according to ~~any of Claims 1 to~~ Claim 9 wherein at least one of R<sup>0</sup>, R<sup>2</sup>, and R<sup>3</sup> is halo and the other or others is -H.
14. (Presently amended) A compound according to ~~any of Claims 1 to~~ Claim 13 wherein X is -S-.
15. (Presently amended) A compound according to ~~any of Claims 1 to~~ Claim 13 wherein X is -HC=CH-.
16. (Original) A compound according to Claim 1 wherein said compound is 5-[4-(2-piperidin-1-yl-ethoxy)-phenyl]-5,11-dihydro-6-oxa-12-thia-

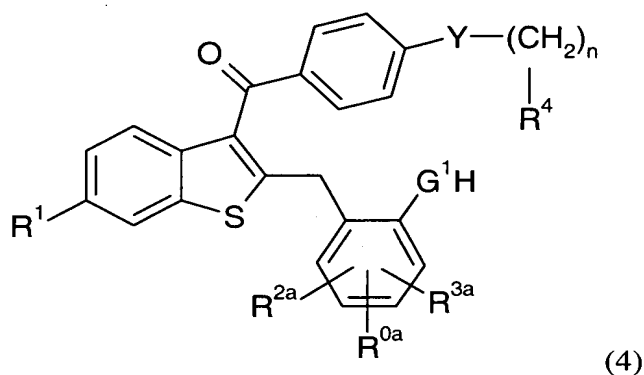
dibenzo[a,f]azulen-2-ol or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

17. (Original) A compound according to Claim 1 wherein said compound is 13-[4-(2-piperidin-1-yl-ethoxy)-phenyl]-7,13-dihydro-12-oxa-benzo[4,5]cyclohepta[1,2-a]naphthalen-3-ol or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

18. (Original) A pharmaceutical composition comprising a compound according to Claim 1 or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, and optionally an effective amount of estrogen and progestin, in combination with a pharmaceutically acceptable salt, diluent, or excipient.

19-30. Presently cancelled

31. (Original) A compound of the formula



wherein

$R^1$  is -H, -OH,  $-O(C_1-C_4 \text{ alkyl})$ ,  $-OCOC_6H_5$ ,  $-OCO(C_1-C_6 \text{ alkyl})$ , or  $-OSO_2(C_2-C_6 \text{ alkyl})$ ;

$R^{0a}$ ,  $R^{2a}$  and  $R^{3a}$  are each independently -H, -OPg, or halo, wherein Pg is a hydroxy protecting group;

$R^4$  is 1-piperidinyl, 1-pyrrolidinyl, methyl-1-pyrrolidinyl, dimethyl-1-pyrrolidinyl, 4-morpholino, dimethylamino, diethylamino, diisopropylamino, or 1-hexamethyleneimino;

n is 2 or 3;

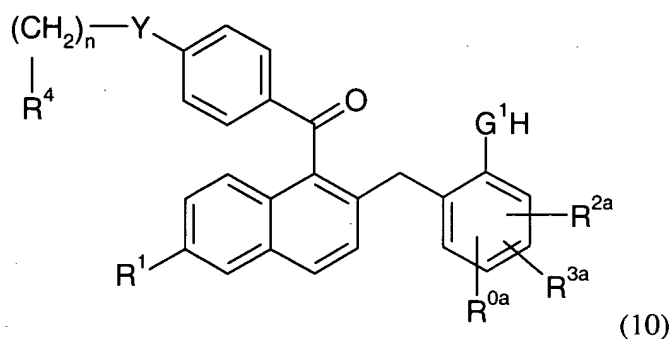
$G^1$  is -O-, -S-, or  $-N(R^5)-$ , wherein  $R^5$  is -H or  $C_1-C_4$  alkyl; and

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Y is -O-, -S-, -NH-, -NMe-, or -CH<sub>2</sub>-;  
or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

32. (Original) A compound according to Claim 31 wherein said compound is [6-hydroxy-2-(2-hydroxy-benzyl)-benzo[b]thiophen-3-yl]-[4-(2-piperidin-1-yl-ethoxy)-phenyl]-methanone.

33. (Original) A compound of the formula



wherein

R<sup>1</sup> is -H, -OH, -O(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> alkyl), -OCOC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, -OCO(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub> alkyl), or -OSO<sub>2</sub>(C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub> alkyl);

R<sup>0a</sup>, R<sup>2a</sup> and R<sup>3a</sup> are each independently -H, -OPg, or halo, wherein Pg is a hydroxy protecting group;

R<sup>4</sup> is 1-piperidinyl, 1-pyrrolidinyl, methyl-1-pyrrolidinyl, dimethyl-1-pyrrolidinyl, 4-morpholino, dimethylamino, diethylamino, diisopropylamino, or 1-hexamethyleneimino;

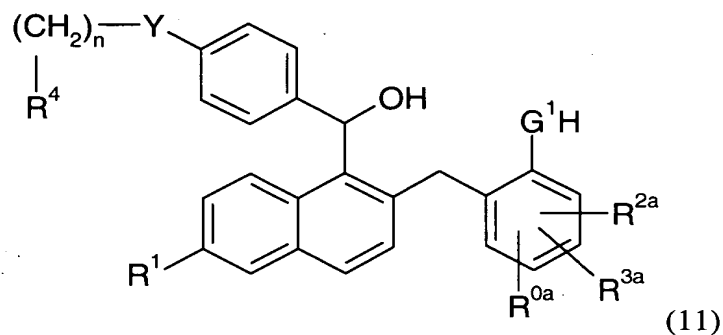
n is 2 or 3;

G<sup>1</sup> is -O-, -S-, or -N(R<sup>5</sup>)-, wherein R<sup>5</sup> is -H or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> alkyl; and

Y is -O-, -S-, -NH-, -NMe-, or -CH<sub>2</sub>-;  
or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

34. (Original) A compound according to Claim 33 wherein said compound is [6-hydroxy-2-(2-hydroxy-benzyl)-naphthalen-1-yl]-[4-(2-piperidin-1-yl-ethoxy)-phenyl]-methanone.

35. (Original) A compound of the formula



wherein

$R^1$  is -H, -OH, -O(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> alkyl), -OCOC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, -OCO(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub> alkyl), or -OSO<sub>2</sub>(C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub> alkyl);

$R^{0a}$ ,  $R^{2a}$  and  $R^{3a}$  are each independently -H, -OPg, or halo, wherein Pg is a hydroxy protecting group;

$R^4$  is 1-piperidinyl, 1-pyrrolidinyl, methyl-1-pyrrolidinyl, dimethyl-1-pyrrolidinyl, 4-morpholino, dimethylamino, diethylamino, diisopropylamino, or 1-hexamethyleneimino;

$n$  is 2 or 3;

$G^1$  is -O-, -S-, or -N(R<sup>5</sup>)-, wherein R<sup>5</sup> is -H or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> alkyl; and

Y is -O-, -S-, -NH-, -NMe-, or -CH<sub>2</sub>-;

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

36. (Original) A compound according to Claim 35 wherein said compound is 6-(2-hydroxy-benzyl)-5-{hydroxy-[4-(2-piperidin-1-yl-ethoxy)-phenyl]-methyl}-naphthalen-2-ol.